Pocono Photo Club

Newsletter

May 2019



Coming to the May Meeting: Creative Bird Photography

What makes an artistic bird photo different then just a standard documentary bird portrait? Our speaker this month is Ray Hennessy who will discuss and show the use of light, space, bokeh, getting close, capturing action and using hides to create unique bird photos that are a joy to look at.

Ray will be sharing photos he has captured over the past 10 years which show these different methods in practice. He will also discuss in depth how he implements these techniques while shooting. Ray's fascination with nature photography began in 2007. He spends most of his free time in natural areas searching for

birds and other wildlife concentrating on using creative natural lighting and interesting compositions to capture images of common and rare wildlife in what he describes as "a scenic photo that includes some of the habitat that my subject lives in". Be ready for a wide variety of unique and different bird photos!

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Ray Hennessy

Photos By



The 5th annual **Pocono Art Collage** in Dunning Gallery is just around the corner. We will be selecting the photos that will represent Pocono Photo Club at the May meeting. Members are allowed to bring up to 3 mounted/framed pictures for consideration. We'll vote on our favorites and the **top 12 pictures** will be exhibited in the Dunning Gallery throughout the summer. There is no theme for this exhibit. The only stipulation from the Gallery is that it must be a piece that has not been exhibited in the Gallery before. Pictures must be ready to hang by June 4-5th. See page 3 for more exhibit information.

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The Scavenger Hunt is Drawing to an End!



The Scavenger Hunt is coming to a close. You have until May 23rd at 4 pm to turn in your photos on a flash drive or CD to Stroud Foto on Main Street in Stroudsburg. You can do one or all eight categories:

1) A portrait of a Statue, 2) A macro or close-up of kitchen-

ware, 3) A landscape with a bridge, 4) Street-lights in sepia, 5) An abstract of a tree, 6) An apple in high-key, 7) A car in bold color, and 8) Shopping carts in black and white. Let's win the title back from Palmerton!

Dunning Gallery Announces Fall Show

"A good snapshot stops a moment from running away."

Eudora

Welty

This year's Fall Dunning Gallery Art Exhibit at Northampton Community College's Monroe Campus will be a photographic exhibition entitled: Monroe County Past & Present: Resorts, Ruins, and the Rural Landscape. The exhibit will be presented in partnership with the Monroe County Historical Association. The show will be an exploration of Monroe County's history, featuring contemporary photographs alongside historical photos and artifacts provided and curated by the Monroe County Historical Association. As the title indicates, the show will explore three different areas of our local history: A) the

history of resorts and recreation in Monroe Country, B) our industrial and architectural past and present (the empty warehouses and furnaces that still stand all around our county were once hubs of manufacture and enterprise) along with historic buildings which have been re-faced and reimagined for new uses), and C) the shifting landscape of Monroe County itself that, despite industrialized progress, it still retains the amazing natural beauty that has drawn artists and visifor hundreds of years. To submit your photos for consideration, please EMAIL them to submit photos@northampton.e

du. Please submit no more than five (5) photographs for consideration. All images submitted for judging should be at least 2000 pixels on the long side and at 72 DPI. (Smaller files may not show your work to its best competitive advantage.) All files must be JPGs and are limited to 8MB in size. It is very strongly suggested that all files entered be saved with an sRGB color space to be assured that the proper colors are being displayed on the judging monitors. Submissions will be accepted up to June 1st. Files should be labeled with name.jpg (ann lefevre.jpg). You will be notified after June 15, 2019 if your photo is selected for the show.



Sunset at
Middle Creek
By
Ken Winham

Calendar Competition Sponsored by Friends of the DWGNRA

The first annual "Beauty and Adventures in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area" calendar competition is sponsored by The Friends of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and the Pocono Photo Club. Submissions should feature the different wildlife, beautiful scenery and fun activities one can find in the Park. They can be taken on either side of the Delaware River and there is no dating limit on when the photos were taken, but they must be taken by Photographers are welcome to submit up to 3

photos in jpg format, with a landscape orientation, 2000 pixels in length on the longest side with their name and the location of the picture in file name JohnDoe BushkillLanding). Images should be submitted to the Friends of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area website: www.friendsofdewanps.org between July 1 and Aug. 1, Photos which are selected will be featured in the Park's 2020 calendar and sold at the Headquarters gift shop to help raise funds Park programming. Along with the pictures which are selected to go into the calendar, three cash prizes will be awarded to the best pictures in these categories: wildlife, scenery and activities. PPC is excited to be partnering with our "Friends" for this noteworthy cause. Our beautiful area gives us a lot to photograph. Now we can give something back!



Mark Your Calendar: Dates to Remember

Spring and Summer are always busy here at the Pocono Photo Club so put these important dates on your calendar or in your phone now so you don't forget them!

5/15- PHLT walk at Fieldstone Farm/Tank Creek Nature Preserve

5/21- Select photos for the 5th annual Pocono Art Collage

5/18— Shoot Out at Millbrook Village 2:00 pm

5/24– Scavenger Hunt photos due at Stroud Foto by 4pm.

6/1— Digital submissions due for Monroe County Past & Present: Rural, Recreation and Ruins.

6/4 & 6/5– Drop off Pocono Art Collage Photos to Dunning Gallery, 9 AM to 3:30 PM.

6/15- Shoot Out at Zimmerman House in the Delaware Water Gap Nt'l Recreation Area. Details to follow.

6/18– Scavenger Hunt winners revealed at June Meeting.

6/20– 5th Annual Pocono Art Collage Reception. 5-6:30 PM. Speaker (TBD) to follow reception.

7/1 to 8/1— Submissions for Beauty and Adventures in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Calendar being accepted. See above for further details.



"I like the feeling of living right inside the moment. A good photo carries the unique atmosphere and feeling of a moment. It's a short film or a personal memory."

Maxim Guselnikov

Photos ~

Bald Eagle Fish Fight by Bradley Teets

Cranberry Creek Middle Falls Shoot Out by Hannable Parrish















Wild Times at Schisler Museum!

We really enjoyed our Shoot Out at Schisler Museum. It truly is a hidden gem right here in our own backyard!

Photos by (from left to right, top to bottom): Ann Le-Fevre, Eric Goins, Lori Fitcher, David Paulik, Bob Hare, Dave Trainer, Diana Capo, and John Anzivino

Watch for emails and updates on our website for all our Shoot Out sites and dates.



Executive Committee Meeting Notes ~ May 7, 2019

PPC Executive Committee Meeting Notes – 5/7/19

Attendees: Ray Roper, Ann LeFevre, Eric Goins, Dick Ludwig, Bob Hare, Sarina Cook, Bill Keenan

Ray Roper announced that the next PPC Executive Committee Meeting would take place on a Monday, rather than the usual first Tuesday of the month – Monday, June 3, at 7:00 p.m., in the Pullen Room of the Hughes Library.

Details on the next PPC general meeting (5/21) include: Bob Cook will be the Photographer of the Month. Sarina Cook will provide the meeting's "Curtain Raiser" photos. And Ray Hennessy will be doing a presentation on "Creative Bird Photography." Also, the club will be voting on member photos to include in the upcoming Pocono Art Collage exhibit in the Dunning Gallery at Northampton Community College – Monroe Campus. Members can bring up to 3 photos, framed or unframed, on any subject matter, and 12 entries will be chosen for inclusion in the show, which will run from June 12 to August 27.

The June general meeting (6/18) will include an announcement of the winners of this year's Scavenger Hunt, as well as a presentation by the judge – Peter Gourniak. There will be no curtain raiser at this meeting.

Dick Ludwig noted that PPC's annual Smithfield Township photo exhibit will probably not take place until sometime in the Fall of this year.

Shoot-out opportunities coming up in May include a nature walk with Lori Colgan of the Pocono Heritage Land Trust at the Fieldstone Farm/ Tank Creek Preserve on Wednesday, May 15, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The second shoot-out will be on Saturday, May 18, starting at 2:00 p.m., at historic Millbrook Village on Old Mine Road in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Details on both shoot-outs will be available on the PPC website and in the next PPC member newsletter.

Ann LeFevre also noted that PPC member Ken Winham will be overseeing the Millbrook shoot-out, and several others over the next few months.

Other competitions and exhibits coming up include:

- Friends of the DWGNRA Competition The theme is "Beauty and Adventure in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area," and is looking for photos of wildlife, scenery, and activities that can be found in the park that can be included in the next "Friends of the DWGNRA" 2020 calendar. PPC members can submit up to 3 photos between July 1 and August 1, and calendar selections will take place on September 30. Details will be available on the PPC website.
- Dunning Gallery Fall Show PPC members can submit up to 5 photos for this show on "Monroe County Past & Present," sponsored in part by the Monroe County Historical Society. The judges are looking for current images of historic resorts, ruins, and rural land-scapes in Monroe County. Photos must be emailed to submit photos@northampton.edu prior to June 1 to be considered for inclusion. Further details are available on the PPC website.
- Take a Moment Exhibit The LDS Church in Stroudsburg is having a 2-day photo exhibit at its assembly hall on May 31- June 1. Submissions should be submitted electronically to takeamoment.com, and accepted photos should be dropped off on Saturdays, May 18 & 25 from 10 12 a,m. and Wednesdays, May 8, 15, or 22, from 6 8 p.m.

Sarina Cook suggested that the club consider doing a presentation on "flour photography" or "flour dancing" sometime next year. This involves photographing models dancing in a powdery mist – easily created by tossing flour in the air. The club executives said we could look into whether this type of event would be permitted somewhere on the campus of NCC-Monroe.

Bob Hare is still looking for feedback on his work as webmaster of the PPC website, and we discussed trimming back the amount of copy on the homepage, as well as efforts to keep the calendar up to date. Bob also said that we are still looking for new banner photos for the coming year.

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

9th Annual Light and Creativity Workshop

Sponsored by the Harrisburg Camera Club

Saturday, June 8, 2019, 8:00am—5:00pm

The Conference Center at Central Penn College, Valley Road and B Street, Enola PA 17025

Featuring renowned photographers:

Kevin Holliday is an internationally recognized, awarded fine art black and white photographer with a primary focus on architecture, landscape, and long-exposure minimalism. His photography is noted for its attention to simple small elements, leading lines and negative space, which he attributes to his early roots as a graphic designer.

Paula Chamlee began her career in the visual arts as a painter. During the mid 80s, she discovered photography and quickly found direct involvement with the world outside the studio to be irresistible. Chamlee has been the recipient of several grants, including one from the Leeway Foundation for "Excellence in Photography."

Mark Bowie is a professional nature photographer, writer and public speaker. His work has been published inter-nationally in books and magazines, on calendars, posters, and greeting cards, and in advertising media. His first two coffee table books, *Adirondack Waters* and *In Stoddard's Footsteps*, have become landmark regional publications.

Penelope Taylor is a New Jersey-based photographic artist. Her father introduced her to single-lens reflex film cameras in her early teens. Her passion is traveling throughout the United States and Canada to capture her favorite subject — landscapes.

Workshop Schedule June 8th, 2019

8:00 am Buffet Breakfast

9:00—10:30 am Paula Chamlee—The Art of Seeing — How to Make Better Photographs

10:45 —12:15 pm Mark Bowie—Celestial Nightscapes — State-of-the-Art Imaging

12:15—1:15 pm Catered Lunch

1:15—2:45 pm Penelope Taylor—Introduction to Digital Infrared Black and White Photography

3:00—4:30 pm Kevin Holliday—Keynote Presentation: VISION — A World Created, Not Captured!

4:30—5:15 pm Drawing for Door Prizes

Meet the photographers

Breakfast bar & hot lunch included with the cost of registration.

See menu online for full details at: www.lightandcreativity.org

Light and Creativity Workshop

☐ HCC Members—\$80.00 (\$85 at the door)
\square Non-members—\$90.00 (\$95 at the door)
☐ Students (21&under-with ID)—\$60.00 (\$65 at door)
Early bird discount: Save \$10 if register by April 30th, 2019
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Harrisburg Camera Club c/o Randal Lathrop—President—HCC 80 Meade Drive, Carlisle, PA 17013

www.lightandcreativity.org

All registrations are non-refundable.

Registration & payment must be received by June 5th, 2019.

Seating limited to 150 participants.

Additional Details: casual dress, free parking, classroom seating, handicap accessibility

May Shoot Outs



Photo by Bob Hare



Congratulations to Eric Goins and Laurinda Faye upon being selected as featured artists in the Pocono Artist's Showcase. The Pocono Photo Club is pleased to announce two great Shoot Out opportunities in the merry, merry, month of May! First up- a nature walk with Lori Colgan of the Pocono Heritage Land Trust at the Fieldstone Farm/ Tank Creek Preserve, 512 Devil's Hole Rd., Cresco, PA. 18326, from 10 AM to 12 PM on **Wednesday, May 15th**. There'll be plenty of flowers in bloom as well as the ruins of a beautiful stone mansion to photograph- perfect for the Fall Show in Dunning Gallery. This event is free but you will need to register here: phlt.org/fieldstone-farm-walk.html.

Our second Shoot Out will take us to Mill-brook Village, a once a bustling center of business when the Van Campens ran their mill there. It is no longer functioning but thanks to dedicated volunteers it remains a popular tourist stop in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Our Shoot Out will give you the opportunity to explore both nature and architecture as we wander around the grounds. It is also a chance to collect some photos for the calendar project coming in July.

So get out your cameras and join in the fun on **Saturday**, **May 18th** at 2 PM. Millbrook Village is located on Old Mine Hill Rd. in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Directions are available through the park website.

https://www.nps.gov/dewa/planyourvisit/historic-places.htm



I don't do photography for myself.
That would be selfish. I breathe, observe, share and communicate with my imagery.
Olaf Sztaba
Photographer